



Long Beach Museum of Art

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Long Beach Museum of Art Honored for Advocating Women Artists

Long Beach, CA – The Long Beach Museum of Art is an honoree of the Soroptimist International of Long Beach “2005 Women Who Make a Difference Awards Program.” The Museum is being honored in the category of “Advancing the Status of Women – Organization.” Honorees will be recognized at a luncheon on Saturday, April 30 aboard the Queen Mary.

Throughout its 55-year history, the Long Beach Museum of Art has been committed to advancing women artists, including exhibitions by innovating printmaker June Wayne, Long Beach-based artists Terry Braunstein and Pia Pizzo and New York-based artist Nancy Haynes. The Museum has also hosted retrospectives of Sharon Ellis, Bettina Brendal and Selina Trieff, and in 2004 the Museum featured a significant exhibition of jewelry by Claire Falkenstein.

The Museum is currently featuring a solo exhibition by a contemporary female artist. *Elsa Rady: The Cycladic Swing*, presents a remarkable new body of work by the internationally-recognized, Los Angeles-based artist Elsa Rady. Rady’s series of installations feature her elegantly shaped porcelain vessels, spare and uniformly glazed, placed on swing-like palettes, suspended from stainless steel cords. This exhibition continues through Saturday, May 14. Also currently on display are works from the Museum’s permanent collection by such artists as Zella Marggraf, Elizabeth McCord and Laura Lasworth.

About The Long Beach Museum of Art

Located on a magnificent bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean, The Long Beach Museum of Art features a lively schedule of changing exhibitions, artmaking workshops for all ages, an historic mansion and carriage house, expansive galleries and gardens, and a café and store. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tues - Sun (Museum Café opens at 8 a.m.), open until 8 p.m. on Thursdays; admission is \$5/adults, \$4/students & seniors, free for Museum Members and children under 12, and free for everyone the first Friday of every month. For more information, call (562) 439-2119 or visit www.lbma.org.

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